

### ABSTRACT

A needle removal/destruction apparatus for pulling a metal needle free from a plastic hypodermic syringe, while also deforming the metal needle to prevent reuse thereof. The apparatus includes a container having a rotatable needle removing  
5 fixture mounted therein. A metal needle hypodermic syringe is inserted within the rotatable needle removing fixture, which is thereafter rotated to pull the needle free of the needle hub while also permanently deforming the needle to prevent subsequent reuse thereof.